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# History Maker Looks At

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A man who has helped make history in this country, yesterday was just another tourist in Charleston reviewing Civil War history.

Allen W. Dulles is former Central Intelligence Agency head and considered somewhat of an historian himself. He and Mrs. Dulles toured Charleston Harbor aboard a Naval vessel and visited Fort Sumter.

Acting like any one of the hundreds of other tourists at the fort, Mr. Dulles popped questions right and left at National Park Service Guide George Condon.

And although he is less in the public eye now than when he was in federal service, the public apparently has not forgotten him. This was evident yesterday as many tourists recognized him and quickly put their

cameras into action.

In this respect, the former intelligence head showed considerable understanding. He halted his tour for several minutes while one visitor who was having trouble with his camera, finally got it fixed and then embarrassedly took Mr. Dulles' picture.

"I've had that happen to me many times," Mr. Dulles laughed as the obstinate camera gave its owner trouble.

The man who guided this country's intelligence operations for nearly ten years admitted he misses working for the federal government. But his law practice, writing books of which there are three in the making, and lecturing throughout the country keep him busy, he said.

His role as CIA chief stays with him even now, he said. He explained he has to think twice when asked questions, particularly by newsmen, about the

agency's operations during his time. "I have to remember whether I saw the information I'm asked for in a top-secret document or in a magazine on the newsstand," he explained.

He commented only briefly on two of the country's current major controversial issues — news management and Cuba.

Mr. Dulles believes the government has the right and the responsibility to control news releases, particularly those concerning national security, but "it shouldn't abuse that right."

His remarks on Cuba amounted almost to a "No Comment." He said the administration is handling Cuba and he prefers to leave it to the administration.

Mr. Dulles startled those in his party when he traced his ancestry to South Carolina when his forebearers came to this state in the early 1700's.

"And one was even captured by the British," he explained.

During his stay here, as a guest of ex-Gov. Ernest F. Hollings, Mr. Dulles visited a house in East Bay Street that once belonged to one of his ancestors.

Tomorrow he will lecture at the University of South Carolina where he will keep a delayed date. He was to have been the commencement speaker last year but had to cancel the engagement due to illness.

The picture-taking tourists were fortunate yesterday in that they saw Mr. Dulles in a most-familiar pose — with pipe in hand. He explained he has been a pipesmoker for 50 years, rarely uses cigarettes and occasionally a cigar.

The Dulles were accompanied on their tour yesterday by Asst. U. S. District Attorney Clyde Robinson and Mrs. Robinson and County Auditor Henry J. Tecklenburg and Mrs. Tecklenburg.

Although he makes a stout defense of the CIA as an agency controlled by civil, not military, power in a democratic society, Mr. Dulles, after eight years as head of the most secret U.S. agency, is overly impressed with the merits of secrecy.

Secrecy, he says, is essential to the proper functioning of any intelligence organization. And so it is, to a point. He cites the "formidable" nature of the Soviet Union's intelligence apparatus, adding that the United States, though reluctantly, must lead the West in matching it. And although he writes that "this country certainly wants no part of an organization like the Okhrana of the tsars or the NKVD of Stalin or the KGB of Khrushchev," he makes it clear that he believes the CIA must have the same cloak of secrecy that conceals the machinations of such police-state agencies, including secrecy about operations long past.

It is chilling to realize that a man with Allen Dulles' long service and dedication to the institutions of a free society could come to a viewpoint so potentially destructive of the kind of a society the CIA was organized to defend.



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